

March 26, 2026
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 26th day of March, A.D., 2026 there was held a Regular Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Willacy County, Texas at the County Judge's Office, 576 West Main, in the City of Raymondville, Texas for the purpose of transacting the following agenda:

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum.
3. Invocation / Pledge.
4. Public Comment (s).
5. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
6. Discussion and Action to approve fuel cards to be issued to the Raymondville / Willacy County Volunteer Fire Department and discuss total amount of cards to be issued. ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Approval of Building Access License Agreement from Fiberlight and requesting access to Install / Update the Telecommunication Services ordered by AT&T for the TxDMV at the Willacy County Tax Assessor/Collector's Office ACTION REQUIRED.
8. Discussion and Approval of Proclamation to recognize April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and place teal ribbons on trees on Willacy County Courthouse lawn. ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Action to consider upgrading / improving the landscaping in front of the County Administration Building and determine the funding account for payment. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discussion and Approval of ratification of County Judges action to approve unforeseen travel for inmate transports for Vendor, United States Fugitive Apprehension and Transport, to be hired to transport inmate from Brandon, Mississippi to Willacy County, for court date on March 24, 2026. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Action to approve change order #5 from NM Contracting, LLC. For the total amount of \$7,835.00 with an addition of thirty calendar days for the Willacy County Heritage and Wellness Center CRP Project No. 70800001014. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Permission to install a 3/4-inch meter service, tie in to an existing 4-inch water line that is on the east side of CR 20, south of Highway 186 (Precinct 1). ACTION REQUIRED.

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13. Approval of Travel Requests. ACTION REQUIRED.
 - (A) Travel for Sheriffs Office Chief Administrator Oscar Rivera to attend the 40th Annual Texas Chief Deputies Association Conference in San Marcos Texas on June 15-19, 2026.
 - (B) Travel for Veterans Office Staff Frances L. Najera (Director) and Daniel Suarez (Grant Outreach Specialist) to attend the Texas Veterans Commission Claims Conference in San Marcos Texas on May 26-29, 2026.
 - (C) Travel for District Attorney's office Leticia Muniz, and Annette C. Hinojosa to attend the 21st Annual Crimes Against Women Conference in Dallas Texas on May 18-21, 2026. (Lucy Regalado will attend if Annette C. Hinojosa is unable to attend. Ms. Regalado travel to be paid through Grant 51. Gloria C. Cortez will attend if Leticia Muniz is unable to attend, Ms Cortez travel will be paid through Grant 52, If Needed).
 - (D) Travel for County Auditor Maria Del Carmen Maldonado, First Assistants Rebeca Saenz and Klarissa Salazar-Gonzalez to attend the 68th Annual V.G. Young County Auditors Institute in College Station Texas on April 28 – May 1, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

14. Confer with Commissioners Court legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or negotiations involving the county, its employees, or its interest, pursuant to VTCA Government Code, Section 551.071 (a) and (2).
15. Deliberation regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or negotiations involving the county, its employees or its interests, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code Section 551.071 (a) and (2).
16. Confer with Commissioners Court legal counsel regarding legal issues with real estate acquisition, pursuant to V.T.C.A., Government Code, Section 551.071.

OPEN SESSION – ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

17. Possible Action on any agenda items discussed in Executive Session
18. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Micaela "Kelly" Zamorano-Alaniz,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Mario Tijerina,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	ABSENT
Ernesto Garcia,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	
Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,	County Auditor,	
Elizabeth Rios,	County Chief Deputy Clerk,	

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WHEREUPON, the Court was opened to the following proceedings were had to wit:

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Zoe Rodriguez
Frances L. Najera
Daniel Suarez

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum – Commissioner Henry De La Paz – **ABSENT**
3. Pledge – Commissioner Ernesto Garcia
Invocation – Commissioner Micaela “Kelly” Zamorano-Alaniz
4. Public Comments – None

Agenda # 5
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF CLAIMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of Claims, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 6
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE FUEL CARDS TO BE
ISSUED TO THE RAYMONDVILLE/
WILLACY COUNTY VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DISCUSS
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CARDS TO
BE ISSUED

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Garcia for approval of fuel cards to be issued to the Raymondville / Willacy County Volunteer Fire Department for each of the Emergency Response Vehicles listed on March 20, 2026 attachment for the Fire Chief, First Deputy Chief and Second Deputy Chief, to be paid out of the Health and Welfare Gas Line Item in General Fund to approved Vendors. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 7
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF
BUILDING ACCESS LICENSE
AGREEMENT FROM FIBERLIGHT AND
REQUESTING ACCESS TO INSTALL /
UPDATE THE TELECOMMUNICATION
SERVICES ORDERED BY AT&T FOR THE
TXDMV AT THE WILLACY COUNTY TAX
ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of Building Access License Agreement from Fiberlight and requesting access to Install/Update the Telecommunication Services ordered by AT&T for the TxDMV at the Willacy County Tax Assessor/Collector's Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF
PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE
APRIL 2026 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH AND PLACE
TEAL RIBBONS ON TREES ON WILLACY
COUNTY COURTHOUSE LAWN

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of Proclamation to recognize April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and place teal ribbons on trees on Willacy County Courthouse Lawn. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 9
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
CONSIDER UPGRADING/IMPROVING
THE LANDSCAPING IN FRONT OF
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING AND DETERMINE THE
FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of upgrading/improving the landscaping in front of the County Administration Building East and West, to be paid from the Capital Fund for the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 10
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF
RATIFICATION FO COUNTY JUDGES
ACTION TO APPROVE UNFORESEEN
TRAVEL FOR INMATE TRANSPORTS
FOR VENDOR, UNITED STATES
FUGITIVE APPREHENSION AND
TRANSPORT, TO BE HIRED TO
TRANSPORT INMATE FROM BRANDON,
MISSISSIPPI TO WILLACY COUNTY, FOR
COURT DATE ON MARCH 24, 2026

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of ratification of County Judges action to approve unforeseen travel for Inmate Transports for Vendor, United States Fugitive Apprehension and Transport, to be hired to Transport Inmate from Brandon, Mississippi to Willacy County, for court date on March 24, 2026. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 11
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE CHANGE ORDER
NUMBER 5 FROM NM CONTRACTING,
LLC FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF
\$7,835.00 WITH AN ADDITION OF
THIRTY CALENDAR DAYS FOR THE
WILLACY COUNTY HERITAGE AND
WELLNESS CENTER CRP PROJECT
NUMBER 70800001014

Motion was made by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of Change Order Number 5 from NM Contracting, LLC for the total amount of \$7,835.00 with an addition of thirty calendar days for the Willacy County Heritage and Wellness Center CRP Project Number 70800001014. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 12
IN REGARDS OF PERMISSION
TO INSTALL A 3/4-INCH METER
SERVICE, TIE INTO AN EXISTING
4-INCH WATER LINE THAT IS ON
THE EAST SIDE OF CR 20, SOUTH
OF HIGHWAY 186. (PRECINCT 1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of permission to install a 3/4-inch meter service, tie into an existing 4-inch water line that is on the east side of CR 20, South of Highway 186. (Precinct 1). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 13
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Garcia that the following travel requests be approved A through D:

- a.) Sheriff's Department, Chief Administrator Oscar Rivera to San Marcos, Texas on June 15-19, 2026.
- b.) Veteran's Office, Director Frances L. Najera and Grant Outreach Specialist Daniel Suarez to San Marcos, Texas on May 26-29, 2026.
- c.) District Attorney's Office, Leticia Muniz and Annette C. Hinojosa to Dallas, Texas on May 18-21, 2026. (Lucy Regalado will attend if Annette C. Hinojosa is unable to attend. Ms. Regalado travel to be paid through Grant 51. Gloria C. Cortez will attend if Leticia Muniz is unable to attend, Ms. Cortez travel will be paid through Grant 52, if needed).
- d.) Auditor's Office, Auditor Maria De Carmen Maldonado, First Assistants Rebeca Saenz and Klarissa Salazar-Gonzalez to College Station, Texas on April 28 – May 1, 2026.

Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

Agenda # 14
CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS
COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED
LITIGATION AND/OR NEGOTIATIONS
INVOLVING THE COUNTY, ITS EMPLOYEES,
OR ITS INTEREST, PURSUANT TO VTCA
GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A)
AND (2)

Agenda # 15
DELIBERATION REGARDING PENDING OR
CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND/OR
NEGOTIATIONS INVOLVING THE COUNTY,
ITS EMPLOYEES, OR ITS INTERESTS,
PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT
CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A) AND (2)

Agenda # 16
CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT
LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING LEGAL
ISSUES WITH REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION,
PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT
CODE, SECTION 551.071

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz that Court Adjourn to Closed Executive Session at 10:39 a.m. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz that Court Reconvene into Open Session at 11:19 a.m. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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OPEN SESSION – ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Agenda # 17
POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY
AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED IN
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina to take no action on item number 17. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina that Court Adjourned. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.